

## Description of Services 2010-11

*Alpine Achievement Systems designs and supports web-based achievement data management solutions for school districts and other academic organizations. Alpine has a tradition of continuing to add value to our services without increasing your per student cost each year (Current clients can run price quotes from the "Our Subscription" page. New clients please contact Alpine for a quote). Featured highlights of the systems are described below.*

### State Assessments

#### **The State Assessments Package**

*The State Assessments Package includes reporting for the suite of required assessments for your state, which may include assessments such as: your state's Standards assessment, English Language Learner Assessment, Alternate Assessment, High School Exit Exams, End of Course Assessment, etc. Some features of this package include:*

- Preprogrammed file layouts so you can upload the test files from your desktop and electronically share them within your district and school users as appropriate.
- Several years of historic file layouts are pre-programmed in many cases.
- Import of statewide comparison data.
- Individual student reports for each test.
- Summary reports and Interactive graphs with click-the-bar technology custom designed to match the characteristics of each test.
- Roster Spreadsheets of student results including our Custom Spreadsheet Design tool so you can build your own spreadsheets from your data.
- Support documents and instructional resources specific to each test.

## Assessment Data Reporting

### Data Warehouse

*The Alpine Data Warehouse Package is the ultimate "throw anything at it" system. It helps you bring together achievement data from many sources, easily generate student and summary reports, and distribute actionable information throughout your organization from one location. Some features of the system are:*

- The ability to add tests from any content area, including both large-scale assessments and locally developed measures.
- Flexible data entry methods. Once an assessment is set up in the system, users can upload assessment results, enter them by hand one student at a time, or enter them into a multi-student template.
- Preset file specifications for many commonly known tests, so data can be imported and acted upon quickly. Over 60 tests are already set up, including such popular assessments as: NWEA MAP, AP, DIBELS, AIMSWeb, BEAR, CogAT, PLAN, EXPLORE, Scantron, TOSCRF, TOSWRF, DRA2, BEAR, STAR, Acuity, and 6-trait writing.
- Summary reports are designed to answer key questions about your data. These reports are custom-designed for each specific test. Additional reports can be created if there are other key questions you would like the data to answer for you.
- Individual student status and longitudinal reports (where appropriate) custom designed for each test. Plus a Custom Spreadsheet Design tool so you can build your own spreadsheets from your data.
- Interactive graphs with "click-the-bar" functionality, so you can easily see which students are represented in each part of the graph.
- Links to relevant instructional and interpretation resources.
- This option also includes all items described under NWEA-MAP below.

### NWEA-MAP

*The NWEA System can be purchased as a stand-alone system or as a part of the Data Warehouse Package. As a stand-alone, it includes:*

- 1, 2, or 3 administrations per year with as many content areas as you choose for the same price.
- Preset file layouts, so you can upload your NWEA file and use the results as soon as the file becomes available to you.
- Individual student status and longitudinal growth reports plus student labels. Longitudinal student reports include expected Fall-Fall, Spring-Spring, and Fall-Spring growth projections along with State-Aligned cut points.
- Interactive graphs that include most recent national norms for comparison.
- Spreadsheets that include NWEA scores and state-aligned proficiency levels.
- Links to relevant instructional and interpretation resources.

## Student Plans

### Student Plans

*Alpine's Student Plans were inspired by our popular Literacy System. It allows you to set up and use as many Plans as you wish. The Student Plans System includes the ability to:*

- Use our predesigned plan setups for Response to Intervention, Literacy, English Language Learners, Gifted Students, Accommodations, 504, etc. Additional plans are always in development.
- Design your own Student Plan to meet state or local needs.
- Empower teachers to create and maintain student plans electronically, allowing all teachers who work with a student to view the information they need so they can adapt instruction to meet each student's needs.
- Archive historic plans for the student electronically so teachers can view information across time conveniently.
- Monitor the plans of students remotely as a school or district administrator.
- Reference summary information from state assessments, data warehouse, and other plans directly into your plan.
- Generate spreadsheet exports of the information from your plans, which includes our Custom Spreadsheet Design tool so you can build your own spreadsheets from your data.
- Plot individual student progress over time (progress monitoring graphs) on some plans.
- Generate summary reports from the data (e.g., Are we identifying more students as gifted over time? What proportion of students is using a particular RTI intervention?)
- Ability to integrate research-based instructional strategies directly into some plans.
- Relevant links and support documentation posted on each Plan's Home Page.

## Features included in all Alpine Subscriptions

*All Alpine clients have access to a number of features, functions, and tools, including:*

- The ability to see everything about a student in one place through the Alpine Student Center including student portfolio reports – a PDF summary of all test and plan data in the system.
- Electronic Records Transfers – The ability to electronically send all records from one school district to another when a student moves.
- Extensive support materials throughout the site including multimedia demonstrations.
- Menu bars making it easy to navigate the site easily plus "student-centric navigation" features that allow you to move around the site from the perspective of one student's data.
- Role-based User Permission Profiles with over 20 customizable characteristics.
- Ability to add and update users manually, through spreadsheet uploads, or keep user accounts up to date automatically.
- Set up custom defined student demographics and then upload a current students file from your student information system. The student file can be uploaded manually or the process can be automated.
- Data scrub tools to help associate rogue test data with students when a problem such as an ID coding error prevents the records from filing properly.
- The ability to adjust the minimum number of students for summary reporting on the fly so you can generate summary reports for internal audiences or for the public, while protecting students' privacy rights (FERPA)
- A "time out" option, to bump out users after a district-determined amount of inactivity on a user's account.
- Import a district graphic/logo to appear on student and summary reports.
- View students based on the school where they were tested, their current school and grade, or next school and grade. The "next school and grade" is an option that makes the data available to next year's school in the spring before the student arrives, which is particularly helpful when students are moving from elementary to middle school and from middle to high school.
- Student groups and demographic groups. Student groups can be copied or shared with other users.
- Upload student groups for all teachers' classes and share them with teachers (can be automated).
- Transfer files between users securely using the File Exchange utility.
- Receive assistance using the extensive documentation posted on the site, or via email or phone.